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HE RISKED IT ALL TO GET HIS LIFE BACK, BUT THAT LIFE HAS MOVED ON WITHOUT HIM. BUMMER.

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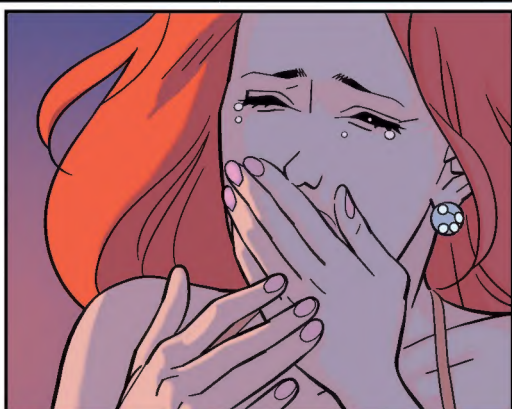
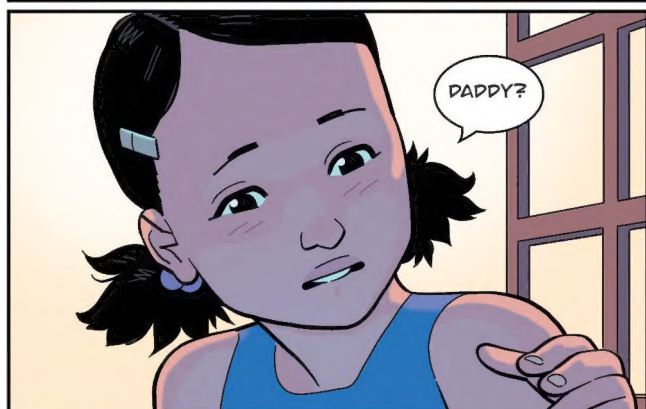
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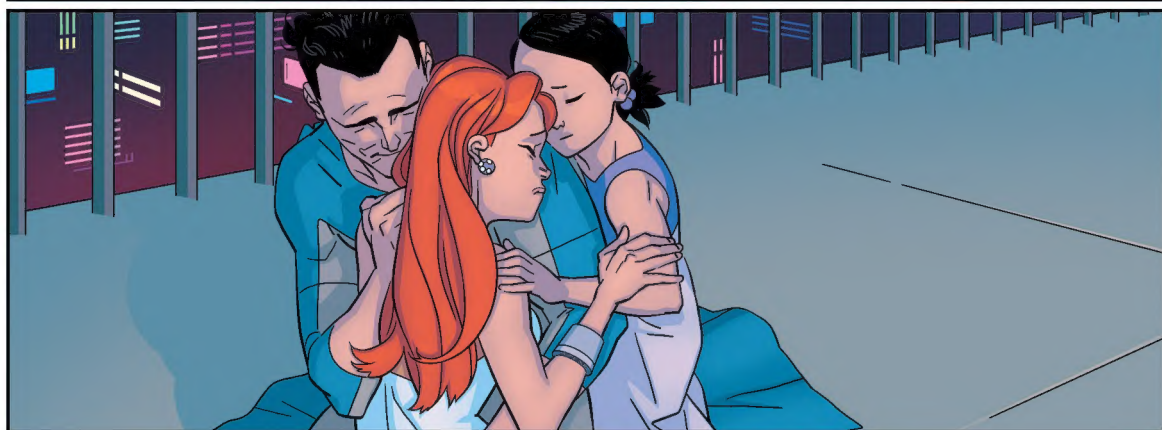
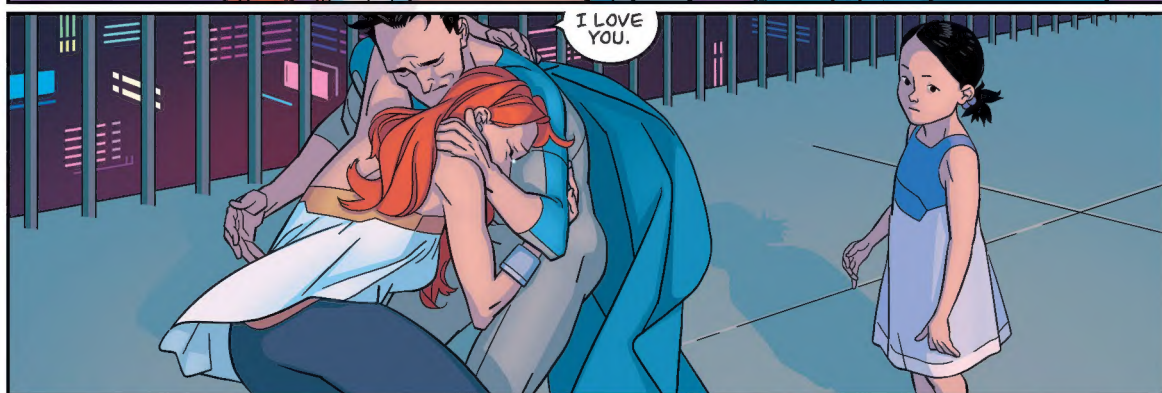
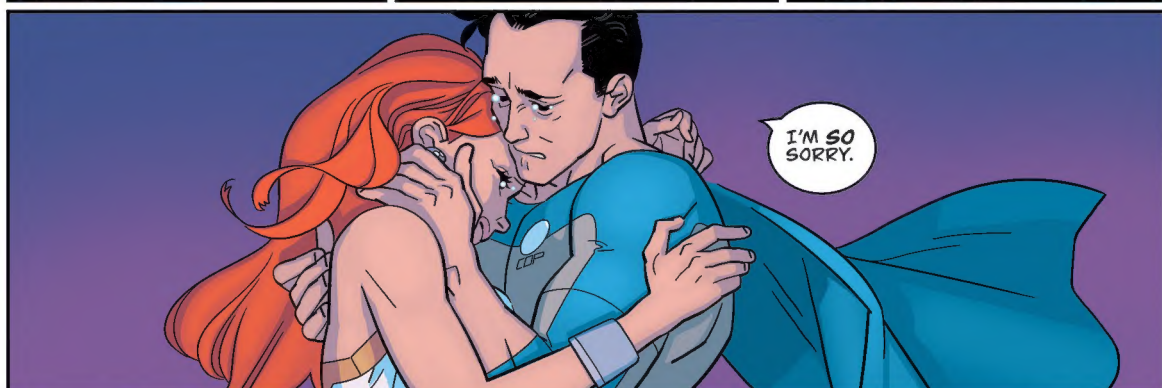
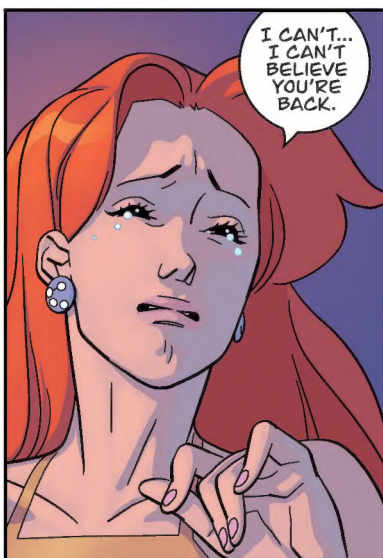
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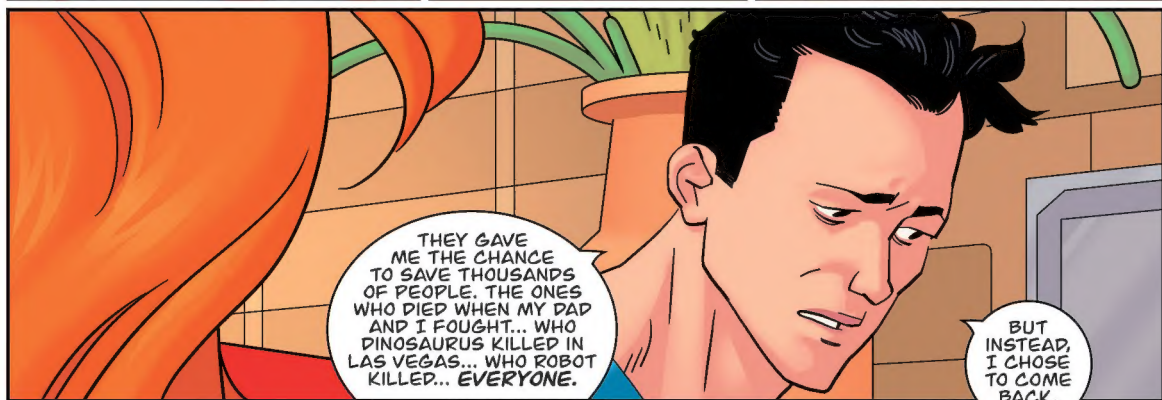
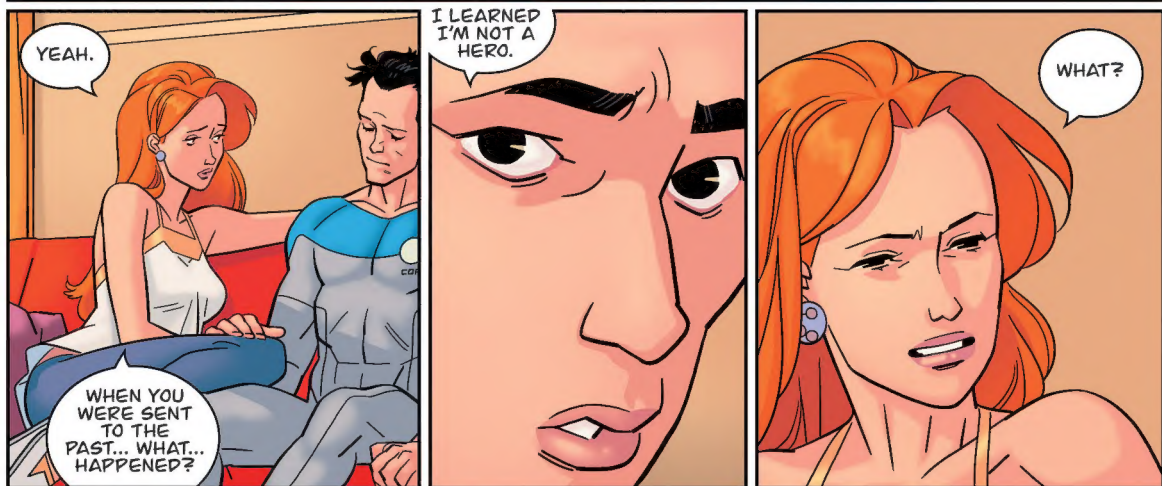
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...I
STILL
LOVE
YOU.





YOU'RE NOT A HERO
BECAUSE YOU CHOSE
YOUR DAUGHTER?

I KNEW SHE WOULDN'T
BE BORN IF I STAYED.
I COULDN'T CHANCE
THAT. I HAD TO
COME BACK.

BUT NOW
THAT I'M
HERE...

I'VE MISSED SO
MUCH. I DON'T
EVEN... I DON'T
EVEN KNOW
WHERE TO
START.

START
HERE.

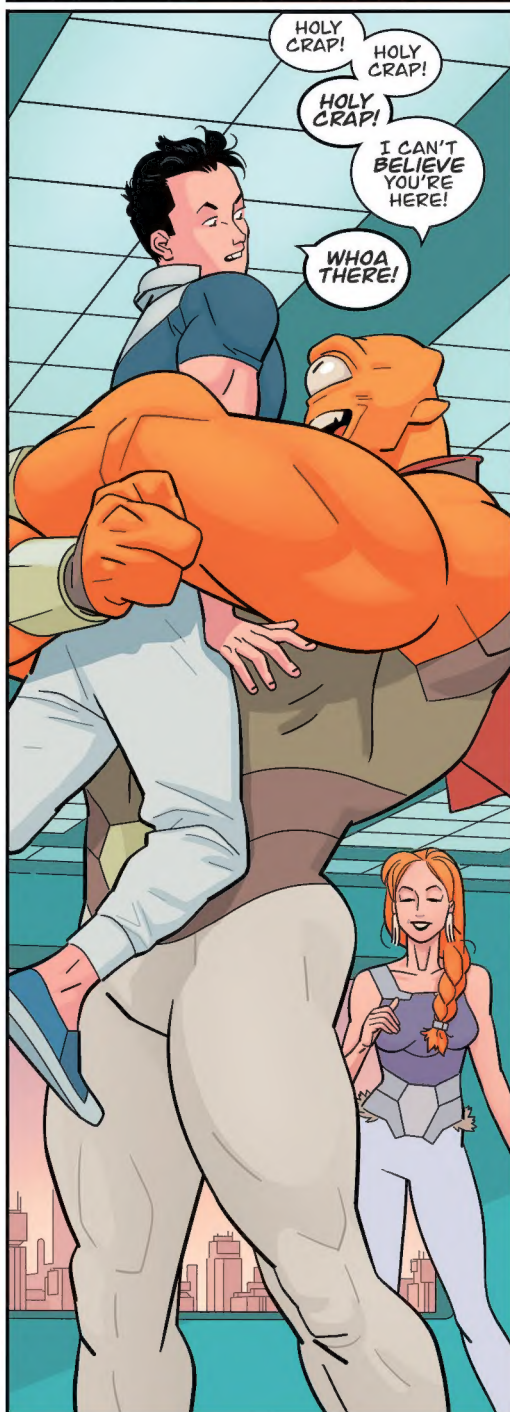
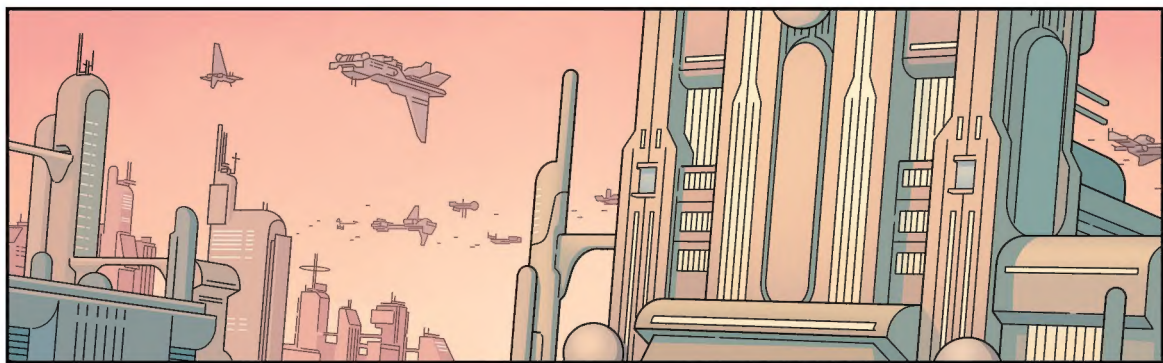
START
WITH
ME.

I'M SORRY. I FEEL
LIKE I SCREWED
EVERYTHING
UP.

YOU
DIDN'T.
YOU'RE
BACK
NOW.

WE'RE...
TOGETHER.





HOLY CRAP!

HOLY CRAP!

HOLY CRAP!

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE HERE!

WHOA THERE!

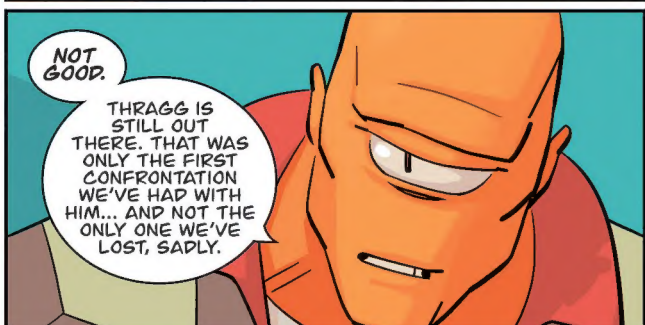


DON'T BREAK HIM, ALLEN! I JUST GOT HIM BACK!



DID YOU READ MY REPORT? WHAT HAPPENED TO THE FLEET? I SAW ALL THAT DESTRUCTION.

HOW BAD ARE THINGS?



NOT GOOD.

THRAGG IS STILL OUT THERE. THAT WAS ONLY THE FIRST CONFRONTATION WE'VE HAD WITH HIM... AND NOT THE ONLY ONE WE'VE LOST, SADLY.



I DIDN'T EVEN THINK TO ASK LAST NIGHT. IS OLIVER OKAY?



OLIVER IS FINE, NOW...
BACK ON ACTIVE DUTY.
HE DIDN'T SURVIVE
UNSCATHED... BUT
THAT WAS MANY
YEARS AGO AT
THIS POINT... AS
YOU KNOW.

THIS CAVE
YOU WERE IN...
YOU HAVE NO
CLUE WHERE
THESE
CREATURES
WENT?



NO. THEY WERE JUST GONE ONCE I
CAME BACK. I COULDN'T EVEN TELL
TIME HAD PASSED, ASIDE FROM
THE EVIDENCE OF THAT
BATTLE.

I THOUGHT IT
HAD BEEN A FEW
WEEKS, SAME
TIME I SPENT IN
THE OTHER
TIMELINE.



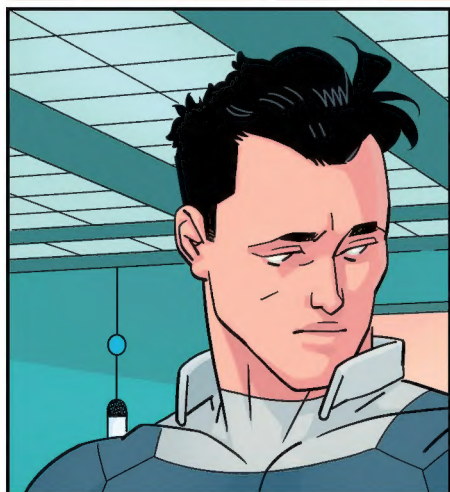
I'LL SEND
A TEAM TO
INVESTIGATE.

I'D DO IT
MYSELF... BUT I
CAN'T RISK GETTING
PULLED OUT OF TIME
FOR ANOTHER FIVE
YEARS. I CAN'T...
I WON'T TAKE A
RISK LIKE THAT
AGAIN.



SPEAKING
OF RISK... WITH
THRAGG OUT
THERE... YOU
KNOW WHAT I'M
GOING TO
ASK.

WE
COULD
REALLY
USE
YOU.



I'M...
DONE.

I'M
NEVER
COMING
BACK.





LISTEN, I KNOW THIS IS A DIFFICULT TIME FOR YOU. I CAN'T IMAGINE HOW HARD THIS MUST BE ON BOTH OF YOU.

AND I'M REALLY SORRY FOR WHAT YOU'RE GOING THROUGH.

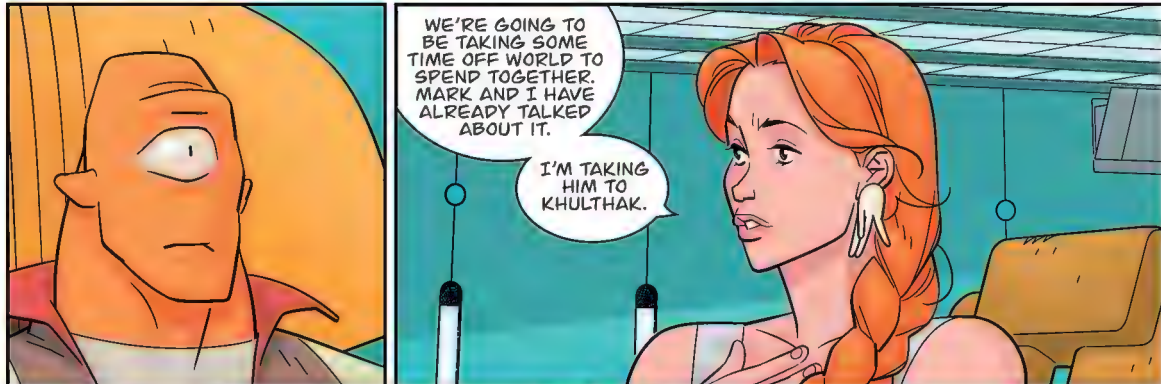
PEOPLE ARE DYING. THRAGG IS A THREAT TO US ALL. YOU KNOW THAT... AND I KNOW YOU. YOU WON'T TURN YOUR BACK ON US.



DON'T BE SO SURE.

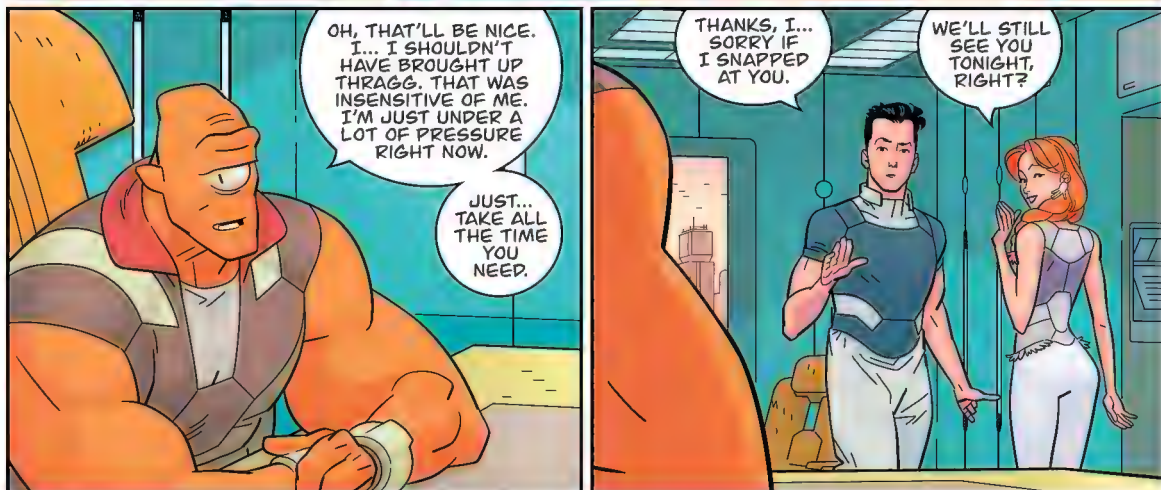
I LOST FIVE YEARS FOR YOU. FIVE YEARS WITH EVE... FIVE YEARS WITH TERRA. AND YOU'VE BEEN FIGHTING THRAGG FOR FIVE YEARS. YOU'RE STILL HERE.

YOU DON'T NEED ME.



WE'RE GOING TO BE TAKING SOME TIME OFF WORLD TO SPEND TOGETHER. MARK AND I HAVE ALREADY TALKED ABOUT IT.

I'M TAKING HIM TO KHULTHAK.

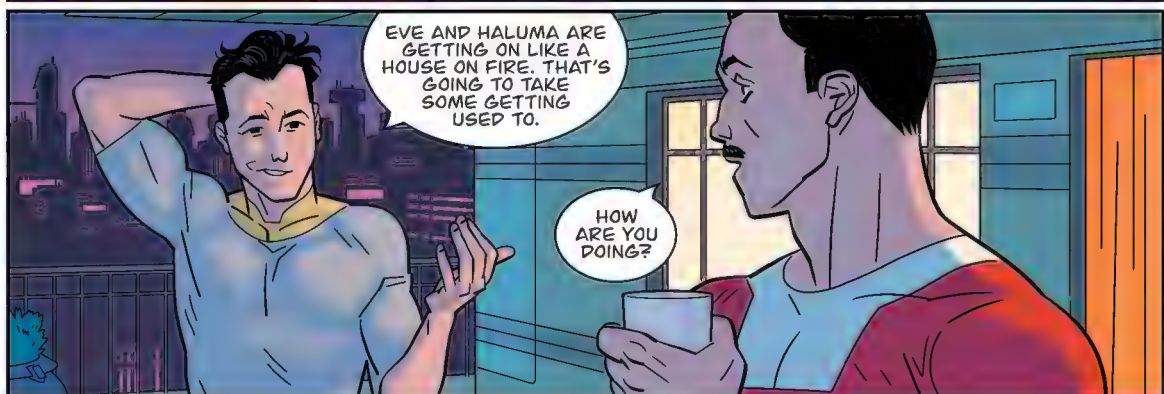


OH, THAT'LL BE NICE. I... I SHOULDN'T HAVE BROUGHT UP THRAGG. THAT WAS INSENSITIVE OF ME. I'M JUST UNDER A LOT OF PRESSURE RIGHT NOW.

JUST... TAKE ALL THE TIME YOU NEED.

THANKS, I... SORRY IF I SNAPPED AT YOU.

WE'LL STILL SEE YOU TONIGHT, RIGHT?





ME?
I'M FINE,
I'M--



--FINE.



...



IT'S OKAY,
MAN. I'M
SORRY
I--

NO, JUST... I'M SORRY. I...
IT'S JUST HARD FOR ME TO...
EVERYTHING I DO, EVERY
MOMENT OF EVERY DAY... I'M
REMINDING OF THIS
HORRIBLE THING THAT
HAPPENED TO ME.

IT'S ALWAYS
THERE. I LOOK
AT EVE, IT'S
THERE. I LOOK AT
TERRA, IT'S
THERE. I LOOK
AT YOU...

I'VE
MISSED
SO
MUCH...



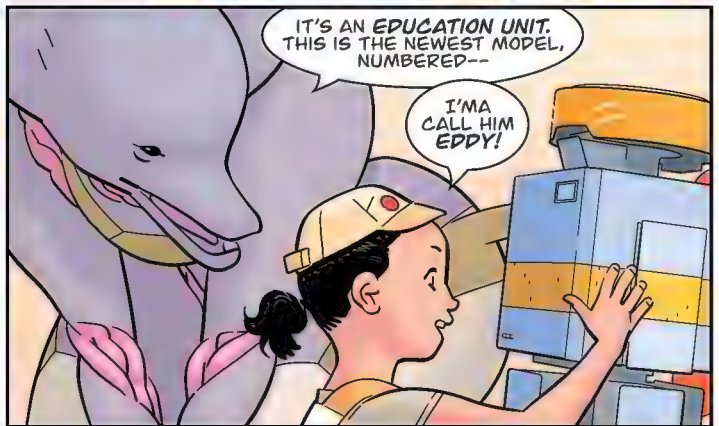
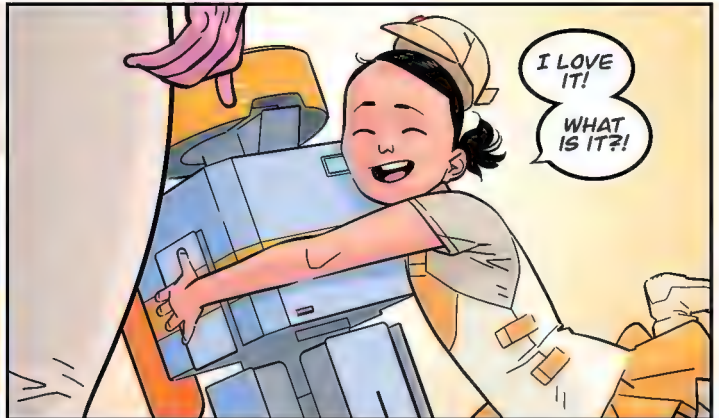
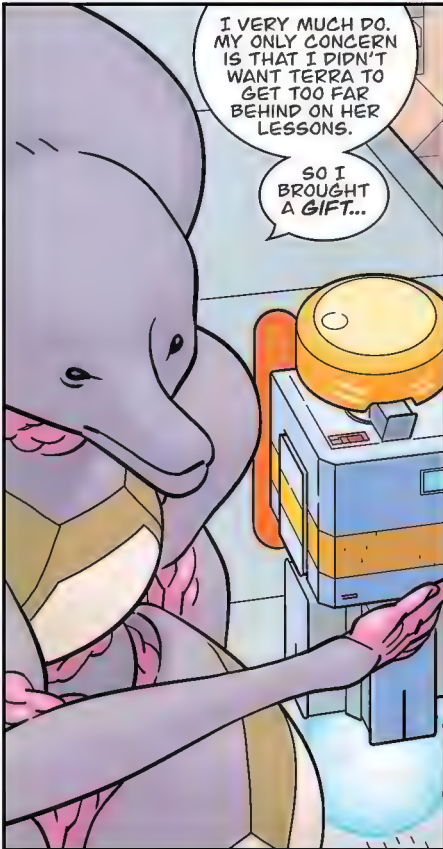
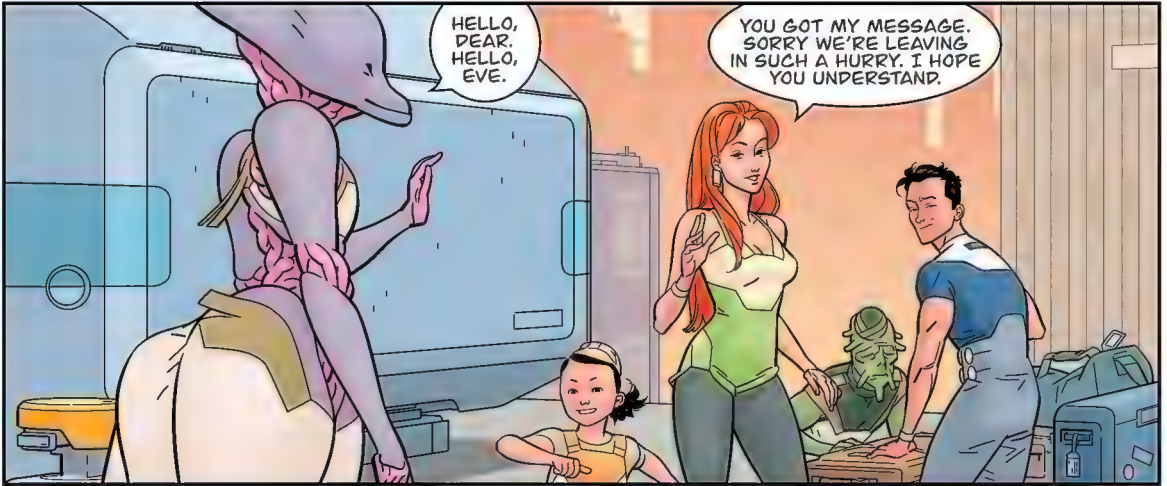
I'M OKAY...
I'M OKAY...

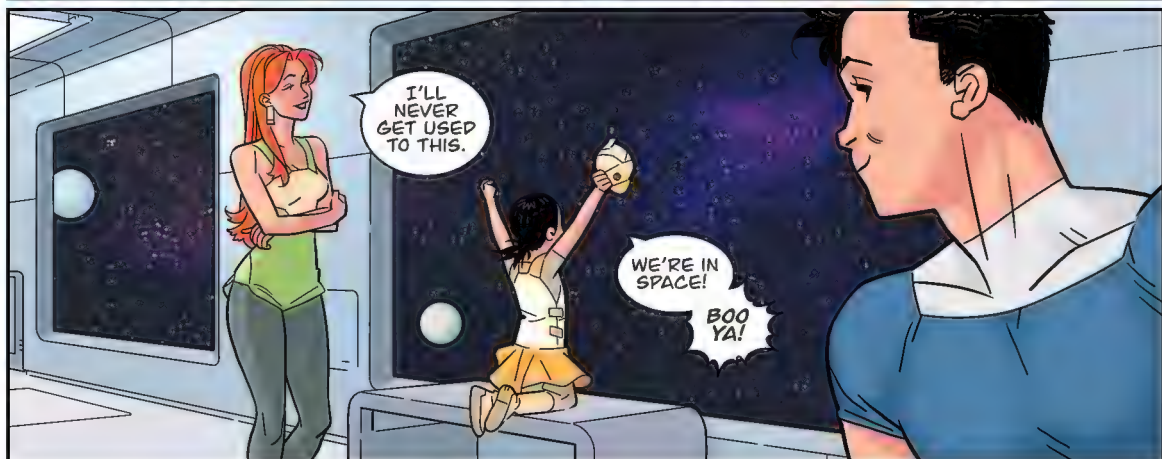
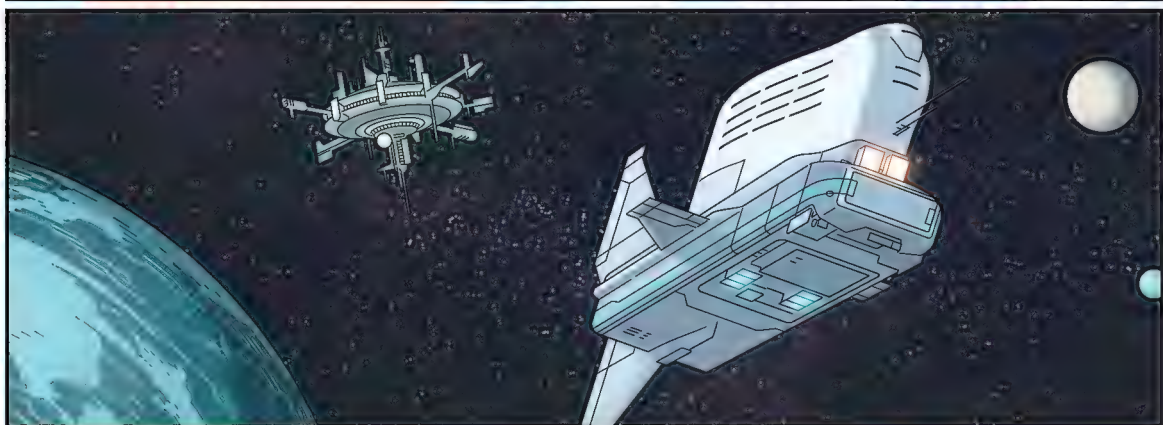
NO YOU'RE
NOT... BUT
THAT'S OKAY.
YOU'VE BEEN
THROUGH A LOT,
YOU WERE GONE
FOR FIVE YEARS,
MARK. AND YOU
CAME BACK...

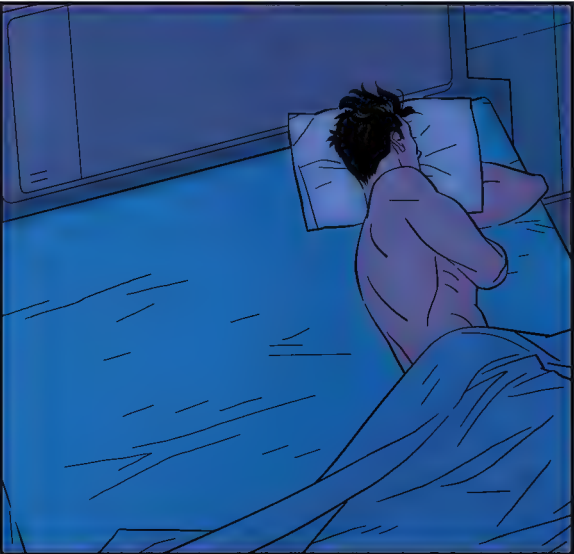
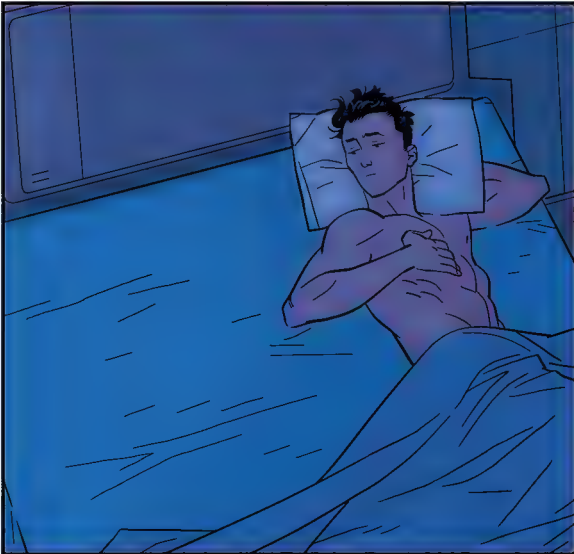
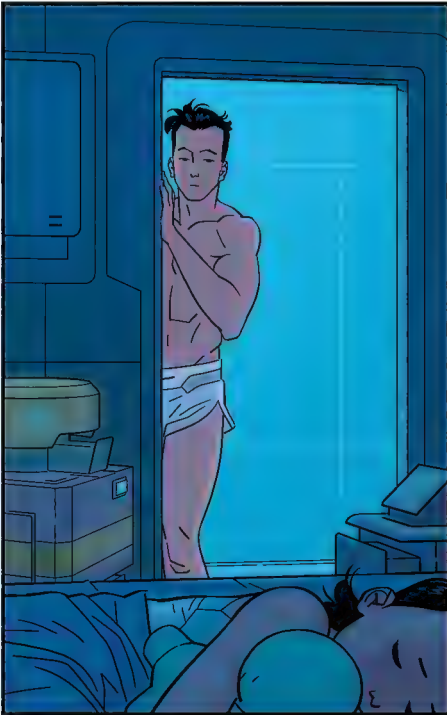
...AND
NOW
YOU'RE A
GIANT
PUSSY.

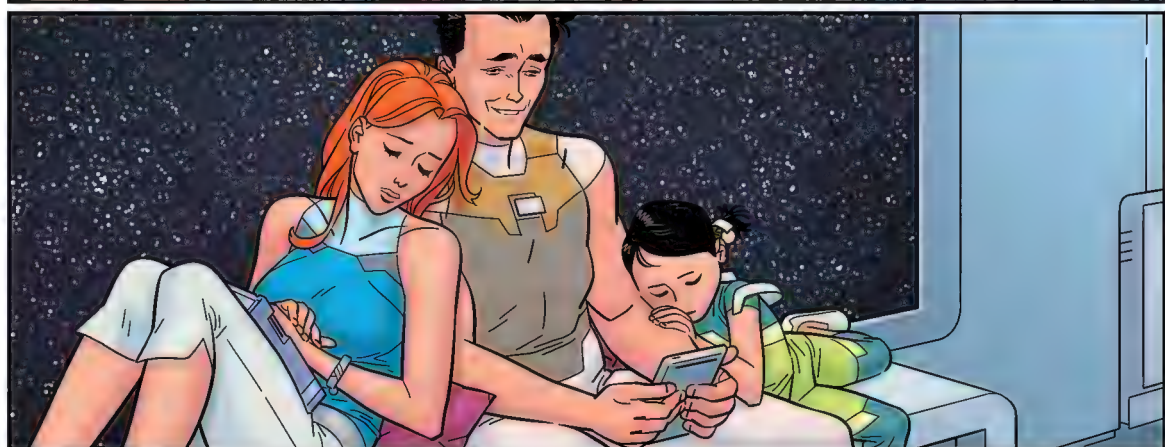
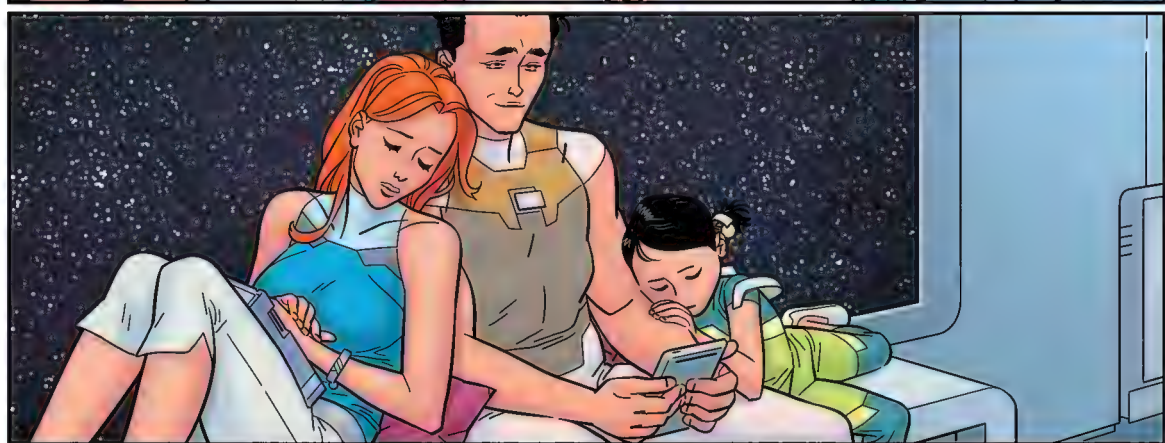
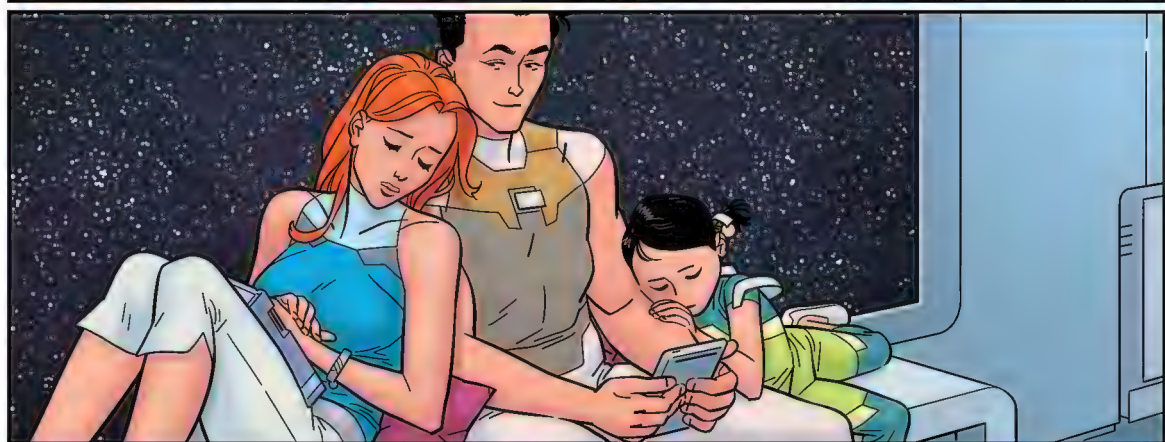
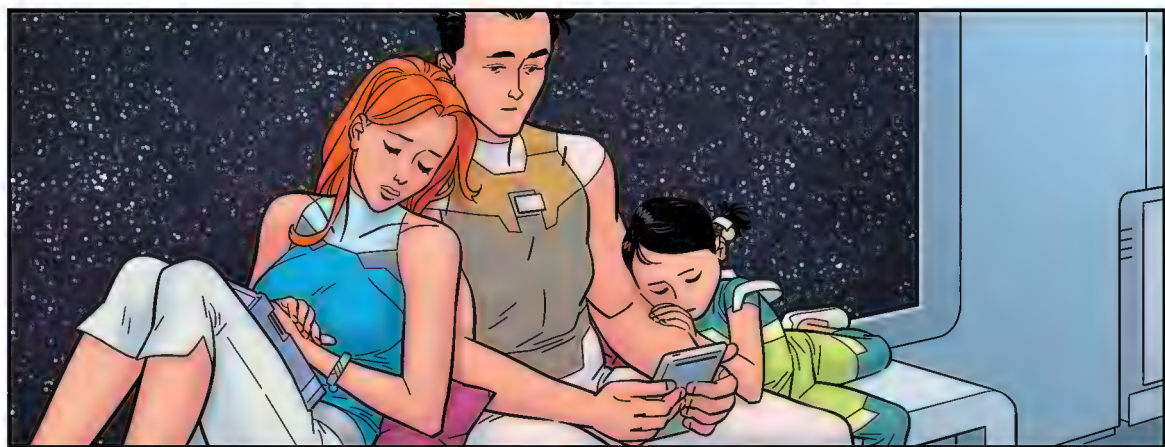


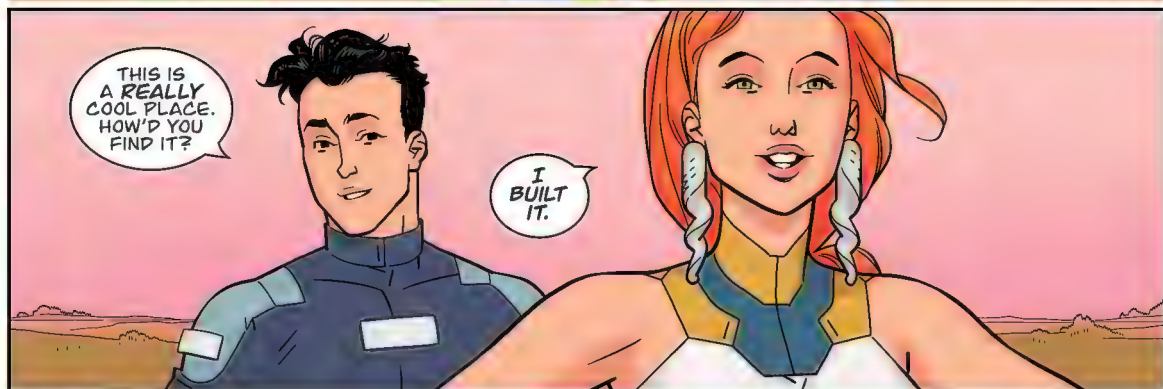
OKAY...
THERE'S
ONE THING
I DIDN'T
MISS.

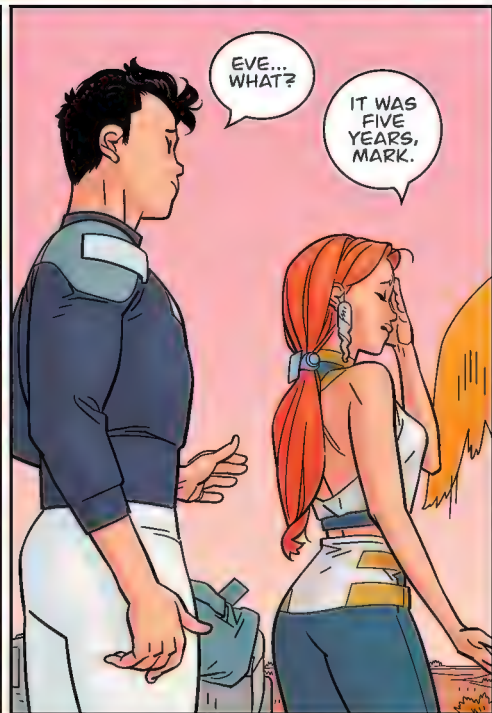
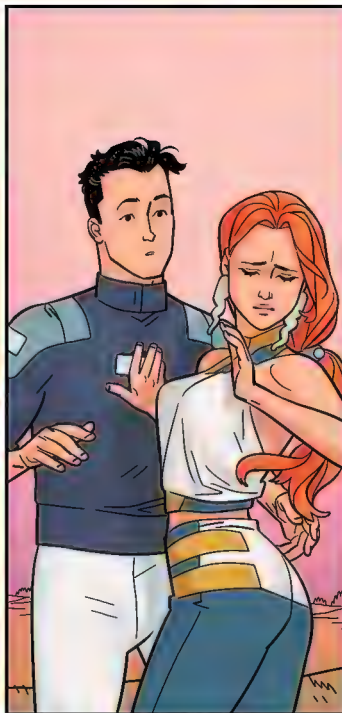
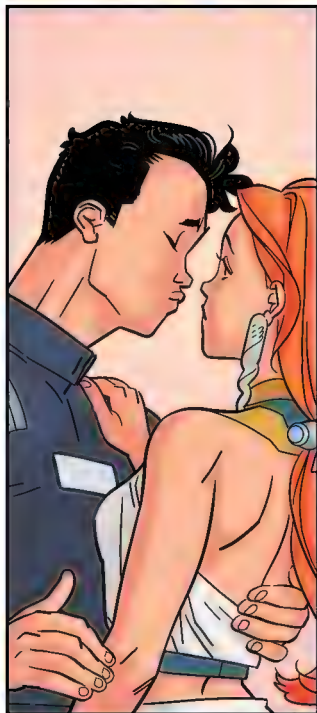
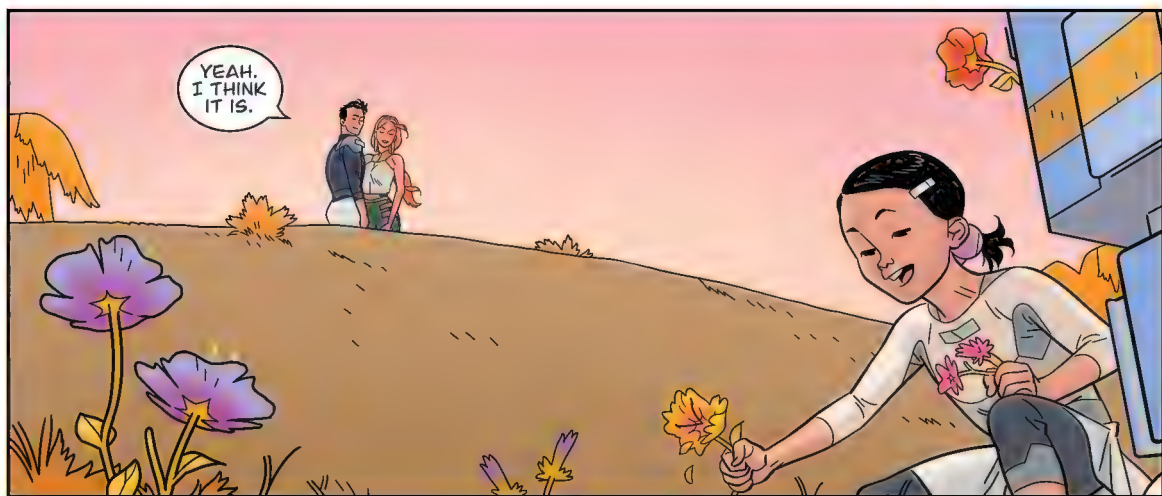


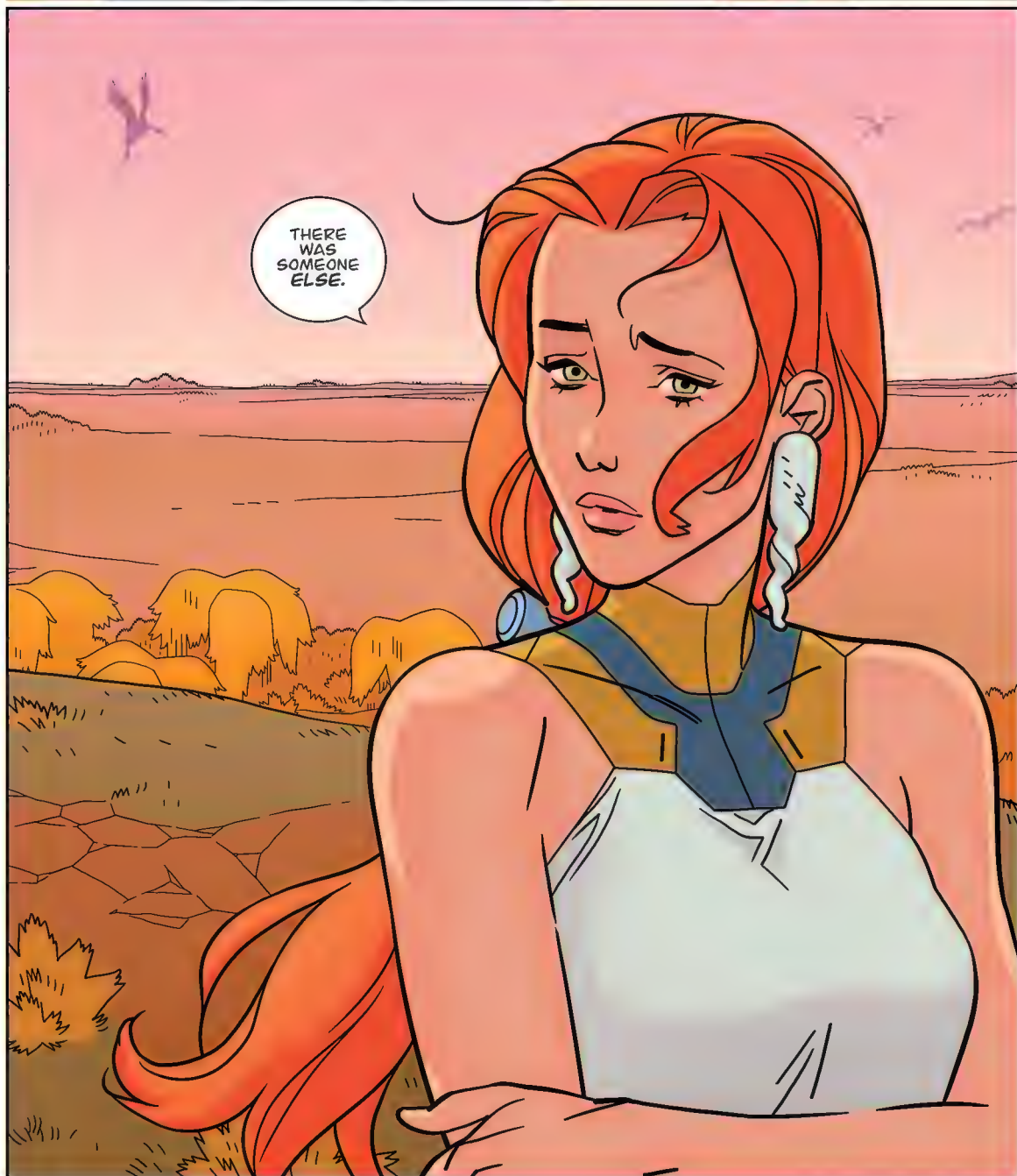


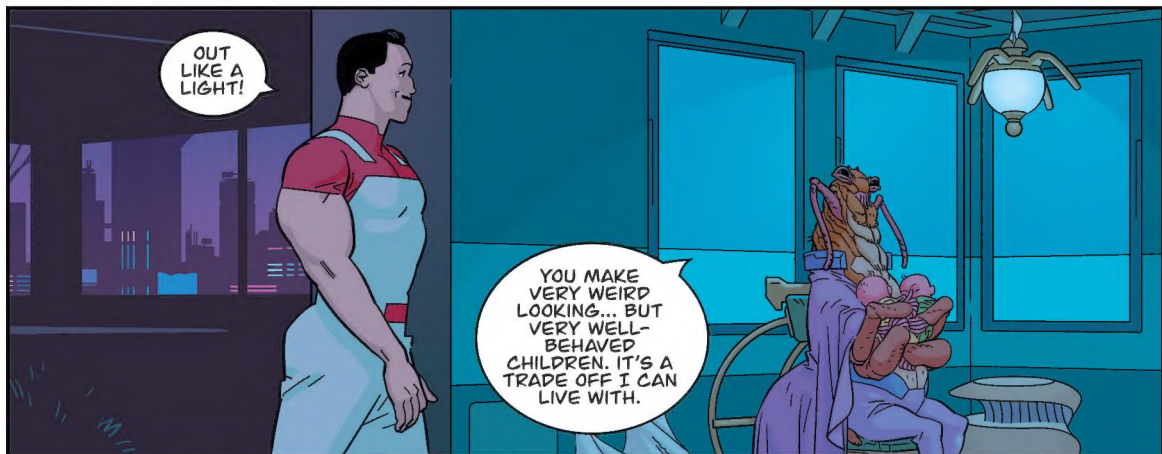














THEY'RE
VACATIONING
OFF-WORLD. I'M
TELLING YOU,
HE'S OUT
OF THE
PICTURE.

I THINK
HE MAY
NEVER GET
INVOLVED.



EXCELLENT.

WE'LL
FIND OUT
IF YOU'RE
RIGHT
VERY
SOON.



INVINCIBLE

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Welcome back, Invincibles! And no better place to be than smack down in the middle of one of the most tumultuous times in Mark Grayson's life. He's been gone for five years and a lot has changed with Terra, Eve, Allen... and Oliver.

Also, INVINCIBLE co-creator Cory Walker is onboard for the next five issues, which I couldn't be MORE excited about since.... HE'S CORY FREAKIN' WALKER. Look at all these beautiful pages that the equally terrific Nathan Fairbairn has colored!

It's great to be working with Cory again on INVINCIBLE. This is a very special thing for me, because while Cory has come back for a couple issues here and there, and the Robot/Monster Girl Flaxan flashback sequences for that arc... this is the real deal. SIX FULL ISSUES. And his previous issues always focused on Oliver, Allen and Nolan. Now we're getting to dive into Mark and Eve directly and Terra, who honestly is shaping up to be one of my favorite characters in this comic. So this is the first time since the first six issues that Cory and I have done a consecutive run on this book. It's very exciting, and as you can see in this issue, Cory is absolutely bringing his A-Game... and just wait until you see what's coming.

But what of RYAN OTTLEY, you might ask? Well, worry not, dear reader! After over a decade of working on this book, Ryan wanted to slow things down a little and step back off the monthly grind for a bit. But as I type these words, Ryan is actually finished with issue 133 and is about to start issue 134. I have to say, it's some of the best stuff Ryan's done on this book. And Ryan is stepping back in for a MASSIVE, MASSIVE storyline that you'll be hearing a whole lot more about at some point in the near future.

So I promise there's never been a better time to be a fan of INVINCIBLE!

Robert,

Thanks to the kind folks at Midtown Comics in New York, I just binge-read 125 issues of Invincible in about 6 weeks. Before Invincible, my favorite comics were: Mark Millar's run on The Authority, Frank Miller's "Born Again" Daredevil and Walt Simonson's stint on Thor. I must admit, however, that Invincible is [overall] the most entertaining comic I have ever read, albeit not as intense as many comics I favor.

Not as intense?! I feel like we've just been challenged to a duel...

Yeah, what in particular is more intense? I mean... all the comics you listed are amazing and I'd certainly say they're better than INVINCIBLE. But INVINCIBLE can be, I think, I hope, very intense.

Just one question: Why did you decide to keep Mark's power level so low? He is weaker than Nolan, Allen, Battle Beast, Thragg, etc. It was clear to me that during the 125 issues you thought about it. You probably think it makes a more exciting story. In actuality, it makes his battles very predictable. You have pigeon-holed him; we readers know exactly who he can and cannot beat.

Your title does not lie. This is the best Superhero book in the universe.

DeWayne
New York City

I think it's a mistake to make your main character the most powerful character in the book. That said, he's defeated characters like Conquest, who are far stronger than him... so it's not completely predictable. Damn it.

Invincible crew,

Just read 125 and it's amazing where you are going here. Damn near everything you've done is gold, minus that kids Dino comic.... I gave it a chance, but time is limited as is for my flights of fancy.... Pretty much only read your stuff, Chew and anything indy Rick Remender does.

Space is limited, but you can't crap on SUPER DINOSAUR without some rebuttal. Which is... you're wrong. Flat out.

YEAH! Super Dinosaur is GREAT! GREAT I SAY!

The Reboot? is great because I've been rereading the trades and it is a great 'What if...?'. The Omni-Man invincible fight was so pivotal... what will Powerplex do now? Will he go on a picnic with his sister, wife and kid. Will he even realize what he could have lost? Then you see the next cover.... will Omni-Man bust out as easily as Conquest did and cause a motha truckin' ruckus??

Now I'm going to binge on STP and Velvet revolver songs since I just found out Scott Weiland died. I'm glad I saw him when I had the chance. Heroin sucks!

Nick Easterday

I would assume a lot of people's lives, including Powerplex, are a lot better in the reboot universe. And the sad thing is Mark KNOWS that... but Terra isn't there, and would never be there. So that's why he threw it all away. I like to think Scott Weiland is still alive in the reboot universe as well. Mark really is a horrible person.

See you next month, when Allen puts the politics aside and his fists up. And if you've got a strong craving for more Ryan, check out his new GRIZZLY SHARK mini, in stores now!

-Sean Mackiewicz

More Terra! More Mark! More Eve! More Thragg! More Nathan Fairbairn! More Cory Walker! Next issue is going to be GREAT!

-Robert Kirkman

NEXT ISSUE



Allen the Alien is under attack. Has Mark's absence put all his friends and family in danger? Will he be able to put things right before it's too late?

GRIZZLY SHARK RETURNS

a continuing
tale of survival
horror.



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